

## THREE AT ONE TIME.

Remarkable Activity of the Christian Church in Topeka.

## THREE FINE CHURCH BUILDINGS

All of the Christian Denominations Going Up at Once—This Breaks the Record on Church Building in the West.

There are three Christian churches being built in the city at the present time. This is a most remarkable state of affairs, for it very rarely happens that there are three churches of the same denomination in course of construction at the same time and in the same city.

The main Christian church, the "First" church, is being built on the east side of Topeka avenue, between Sixth and Seventh.

The North Topeka Christian church is in course of erection, at the corner of Central avenue and Grant street, and the Third Christian church is at the corner of Branner and Third streets.

The First church will be an imposing structure of Colorado lava stone. The foundation of the main auditorium is in place and the chapel was built some years ago. The entrance will be copied after the handsome arch entrance to the Plymouth Congregational church of Cleveland, Ohio.

The front window will be a memorial to the Christian Endeavor societies of the state, and will be especially designed for that purpose.

The edifice will cost \$25,000, but only about \$6,500 will be expended at the present rate.

The church has a membership of 350. The North Topeka church has a membership of 159. The foundation for the new edifice is now in place and the building will be pushed to completion.

It will be a frame building and will cost \$10,000. Rev. M. Ingels is the pastor.

The Third church will be a stone edifice and will cost \$2,500. There are 425 members in this flourishing church and Rev. F. E. Mallory is the pastor.

Rev. B. L. Smith has done much to start this church boom.

J. C. Holland is the architect for the First church, and H. M. Hadley for the other two churches.

## HERE'S EQUAL SUFFRAGE.

Mrs. W. L. Munn Hauling Stone For the New Christian Church.

The North Topeka Christian church, which is being built at the corner of Central avenue and Grant street, is being constructed by the donations of work and cash by the members and friends of the congregation.

The men are not doing all the work, for the ladies of the church don't propose to be outdone and they won't be satisfied with simply the proceeds of an occasional ice cream social. They are doing just as much work as the male members.

Mrs. W. L. Munn, one of the leading members of the church, is hauling stone from Deer creek for the foundation and walls of the new church. Attired in a calico dress and a gingham sunbonnet she leaves every morning for the quarries.

Mr. Munn works for Parkhurst, Davis & Co., and is not able to do any work on the church himself, but Mrs. Munn a few days ago made up her mind she could make \$3 a day for the church by hauling stone. She has one horse and she borrowed another from a neighbor and fitted up a team and stone wagon and is now hauling as many cords of stone every day as any of the male teamsters. The stone has been donated to the church. The hauling is done and the only expense is for quarrying the stone, for which is paid 30 cents a cord.

Mrs. Munn left home bright and early this morning with her team for the Deer creek quarries and will continue in this work until enough stone is on the ground to finish the foundation.

## FOR THEIR "HEALTH."

Lee Jones to Start a Drugstore at Rossville.

The Rossville News contains the following:

Lee Jones of Topeka, has hired the north store of the Fritz block, and in the early days of July he will put a large drugstore stock into it. His fixtures will be new so as to harmonize with the new store. He is very much pleased with our little city. The only discouraging thing he discovers is the healthiness of our citizens, who don't seem to be in need of drugs. Well, this healthiness he can turn to his own advantage. Just let him advertise Rossville as a health resort, at which invalids can shake off all their ailments, by breathing pure air and sipping pure drugs, and he will sell lots of medicine, in spite of the good health the permanent residents enjoy.

After reading the above about Lee Jones' interest in the health (and sobriety) of the people of Rossville, it is in order for everybody to indulge in a broad smile.

## NEW CORPORATIONS.

Companies Chartered to Do Business in Kansas.

The Merchants' bank of Kansas City, Kan. The capital stock is \$40,000. The directors are: J. V. Andrews, C. K. Wells, W. H. Bridges, E. S. W. Drought, O. D. Burt, E. E. Morris, Theodore Schultz, E. H. Browne, V. J. Lane, S. S. Peterson and K. L. Browne, all of Kansas.

The Broadway Methodist Episcopal church, south of Augusta. The trustees are Noah Jenkins, J. W. Ruffee, H. D. Hill, J. K. Withrow and J. M. Johnson, all of Augusta.

Half Rates to Texas. On Tuesday, May 29, the Great Rock Island route will sell tickets to all points in Texas and return at one fare for the round trip; tickets good for thirty days with certain stop-over privileges.

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## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Items of Interest About Topeka People and Visitors in Town.

Mrs. E. Lange entertained a few neighborhood friends yesterday afternoon at a thimble party, and although no one accomplished a great deal, the afternoon pleasure was by no means spoiled on that account. Big bunches of pink clover and pretty white daisies were arranged on the mantel, on tables and in corners, and were truly artistic in their arrangement. Among the guests were: Mrs. G. O. Wilmarth, Mrs. E. Brubaker, Mrs. J. S. Collins, Miss Collins of Wamego, Mrs. Irving Doolittle, Mrs. Margaret Wiggins and Miss Russell.

An Agreeable Surprise. A few of Miss Musette Renwick's friends decided to give her a surprise party last evening, and accordingly invaded her home on Tyler street about eight o'clock, and spent a delightful evening. In the company were Misses Louise Smith, Josephine Pierre of Salina, Leila Herd, and Miss Markley; Messrs. Tom Whitmer, Harry Goodrich, Albert Evans, and G. Perkins.

Noisy in Society Circles. The Philharmonic society met for the last time this season with Mrs. J. N. Strickler yesterday afternoon. It was strictly a business meeting, and the regular programme was not rendered.

Miss Louise Holmberg has returned to Osage City.

Carls are out announcing the marriage of Miss Corinna Wherry and Mr. Edgar D. Cruise, on Wednesday, June 1, at half past eight o'clock. They will be at home after June 30, at 514 West Sixth street.

Miss Collins of Wamego is the guest of Mrs. J. S. Collins.

Miss Caro Penfield entertained half a dozen visiting young ladies at tea yesterday.

Mrs. Nathan Price and daughter Marie arrived today from Omaha to visit Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hudson.

Misses Helen, Fanny and Flossie Moon entertained the following young people last evening for Miss Winifred Scoville of Seneca: Miss Mabel Quigley, Ralph Moore, Harry Hazlett, Clarence Horner, Ed. Dennis and Will Adams.

Misses Annie and Hattie Jones will go to Lawrence tomorrow to meet Miss Mabel Martin on her way home from Cincinnati.

Jay R. Montgomery has returned from a month's visit in California.

An excellent picture of Miss Mary McCabe appears in the last issue of Newspaperdom, on the first page. It is accompanied by a sketch of her literary work in this city.

Miss Olive Torrence of Lexington, Mo., is visiting relatives in the city.

Mrs. J. C. McClintock will give a thimble party tomorrow afternoon.

Mrs. J. E. Barker and children left today for Fort Worth, Tex., to spend three or four weeks.

The children are rehearsing their dances for the Kirmis to be given at the Grand opera house June 8, in Prof. Wetherell's hall. No spectators are allowed with the exception of the relatives and those immediately connected with the affair.

The garden fete which was to have been given by Miss Myra Williams this evening has been postponed until Thursday.

Miss Allie Shepherd of Burlingame is visiting her sister at Bethany.

Miss Caro Finch will arrive today from Burlingame to visit Miss Birdie Griffith.

Dr. J. P. Lewis went to Valencia today.

Charles Williams and Jack Hession of the state university will spend Saturday in town on their way to their respective homes in McPherson and Manhattan.

General Social Notes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McKibben have gone to Washington, D. C., to spend a couple of days.

Guy Hagan spent Sunday in Newton.

Misses Jennie Thomas and Mary Lewis who were the guests of Mrs. C. F. Givens on Clay street, have returned to Emporia.

Henry Williams left today for St. Paul, Minn., to spend a week.

Mr. Frank Seales, of Mulhall, O. T., and Mr. Hulitt, of Perry, are visiting Mr. Goodwin in Auburndale.

Miss Mame Hogeboom is expected home the first of next week from a visit in Pittsburg, Kan.

A. J. Boulware spent Sunday with his parents in Lawrence.

Miss Bessie Woolger, who has been the guest of Miss Eva Schuler in Lawrence returned home yesterday.

Miss Eleanor Wilson went to Leavenworth today and will return Saturday.

Miss Edith Coles and Lillie Seibert have returned from Ellis, Kas.

Mr. Arthur Murphy went to Eskridge and back Sunday on his wheel, and made the trip of forty-five miles in four hours. Messrs. Chas. Peyton and Phil. Eastman accompanied him as far as Maple Hill.

Miss Nellie Adams will leave tomorrow for St. Louis to make her home. She will spend the summer at Freeport, Me.

Mrs. A. J. King and children will spend Wednesday at Nortonville.

Miss Josephine Pierce who has been the guest of Miss Louise Smith returned to Salina today.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Rynerson and Miss Ganung of New York will spend Decoration day at Tecumseh.

Miss Lou Nash will go to Lawrence next week to attend the commencement exercises.

Miss Kate Gunther will give an afternoon card party on Friday for Miss Minnie Peck.

Mr. John Payne of Dallas, Tex., formerly of this city is visiting his parents this week.

Miss Susie Ganung of New York is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Wallace Rynerson.

Mrs. C. P. Grosvener of Lawrence is the guest of her sister, Miss Daisy Starr. She came up for the commencement exercises tonight.

Mrs. W. L. Smith of Osage City is visiting Mrs. N. Laubach on Taylor street.

C. O. H. Holcraft has returned from a visit in Des Moines, Ia.

## CALDERHEAD'S VIEWS.

Political Opinions Held by the Republican Candidate

## FOR CONGRESS IN THE FIFTH.

He is a High Protective Tariff Man, Anti-Free Silver, and Thinks the Coxy Movement Will Increase Vagrants.

W. A. Calderhead of Marysville, Republican candidate for congress in the Fifth district, is perhaps the least known of prominent Kansas politicians. He has been county attorney of Marshall county. He is a tall man of military bearing with iron gray hair and mustache and brown eyes of the kind sometimes characterized as "gentle." He speaks slowly and deliberately and gives one the impression that there is a considerable latent force in his make-up. Prominently displayed is the G. A. R. button on his lapel.

"I think," said Mr. Calderhead to a reporter, "that there is no general opposition among the Populists to the nomination of Davis. They will also be a Democratic candidate in the field. It is too early to talk about my prospects of election but Burton left the district in excellent condition and if hard work will win I shall be elected."

"What are the prospects of woman suffrage in your district?"

"I think there will be no issue made of woman suffrage. It is a sentiment among our people that the party platforms should not be loaded down with side issues and I do not expect a plank of that kind in the state platform."

"What will be the issue in your fight?"

"The tariff and the money question will form the principal themes. The protective tariff is a Republican measure and will be insisted upon as against the adverse tariff legislation of other nations."

"It has always been the intention of the Republican party to maintain the parity of the two metals—gold and silver—upon a ratio that will not depreciate the value of either."

"To what do you attribute the depressed financial condition?" asked the reporter.

"In the first place the Democratic party coming into power upon a platform that declared that all protective tariff laws were unconstitutional, led business men to expect that the protective tariff law would be entirely repealed at the earliest opportunity and business men generally began to prepare themselves to meet that condition by limiting their manufacturing and contracts for sales of their products, and merchants generally began to limit their purchases. Now enterprises wait to see what the new condition would be and they are still waiting."

"I don't know how much to say about the uncertainty that arose from the disproportionate increase of the silver coinage but undoubtedly many business men were afraid of it and limited their investments and enterprises until they could ascertain what was going to be done with the silver coinage. The suspension of the new enterprises and closing of others and the general cessation of business threw large numbers of men out of employment in the country and destroyed their purchasing power, destroying the home market for most of our agricultural products, and in turn the discontent that arises amongst the vast army of the unemployed. The discontent amongst those whose wages are reduced altogether makes capital very timid and the money of the country is also taking a rest from business."

Mr. Calderhead said the Coxy movement "is folly and will result in an increase of the army of vagrants."

WAR AS A REMEDY.

A Topeka Citizen Who Suggests Killing Off the Population to Make Good Times. To the Editor of the State Journal.

SIR:—It is evident that something must be done and that soon, to relieve the industrial condition of mankind. There is not only a vast number of unemployed people in the world, but there is also a vast amount of unemployed capital as well. The man of means who can find a remunerative investment for his capital knows no more where to look than the one who is seeking employment. The field is already occupied and competition is so great that failure is almost certain. The "on to Washington" movement of the moneyed interests had but fairly started when the "on to Washington" movement of the unemployed set in. That congress will find the relief asked by these potent factions of civilization is beyond our expectation. As the subject is the all absorbing one, we bear various relief suggested by thinking men. Two or three Topeka citizens of prominence have suggested "war." If civilization cannot adjust itself to the present conditions by other methods than destruction of life, then it is the duty of congress to stir up a row with some foreign country that half of our people may die up their lives on the altar of patriotism and thus furnish relief to those remaining. I read in the dispatches a few days ago that our flag had been trailed in the dust by some Canadians. Here is the opportunity, and congress should take advantage of it. Thousands of men may be had by the asking of them and millions of capital stands ready for investment in bonds to carry on the war. A bloody contest could be waged in a month's time, and after the skies have cleared from the smoke of cannon and the dead laid to rest, work would be had on every side; strikes and failures would cease and peace and prosperity reign. CRAOS VANQUISHED.

P. S.—While writing the above the thought occurred to me that wars have their drawbacks, and are not always as destructive as we might wish. It takes on the average 500 shots to kill one man, say the statisticians; thus the employment of capital and labor would not be equal; and again only the patriotic enlist, and a war coming so soon after the rebellion (which furnished such an object lesson in money making by those who stayed at home) enlisting might not be as attractive as speculation.

Hence I would suggest another means of destruction which I believe would be sure and more humane. Infect a large number of our people with smallpox, yellow fever and cholera, (as Chancellor Snow does the chinch bugs) and send them broadcast; remove all quarantine restrictions and prohibit the practice of medicine say for a period of one year. In this time I believe enough people could be killed to make times prosperous

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for those remaining. It would be an equitable distribution, too, as it would fall alike upon the rich and the poor male and female, young and old. It would be much more humane than war, as we could die at home surrounded by our loved, instead of the bloody field of battle, amid the roar of cannon and musketry and surrounded by strangers.

C. V.

DEcoration Day.

Programme of the Day as It Will be Observed in Topeka.

Decoration day will be observed with the usual impressive ceremonies in Topeka tomorrow.

In the forenoon the graves in Topeka cemetery will be decorated by a detail of Old Soldiers and Sons of Veterans assisted by the ladies of the Relief corps and Lincoln post.

The ladies of Lincoln Circle and the W. R. C. will meet at Lincoln post hall at 8 a. m. to arrange the flowers. At 9 o'clock a detail of Old Soldiers and Sons of Veterans under the command of H. Lupton of Lincoln post, will march to Topeka cemetery, followed by the ladies in carriages, where the ritualistic services will be held and the firing squad will salute the dead. A detail of four Old Soldiers and two ladies will also visit Mount Calvary, the Catholic cemetery and decorate the graves there.

The exercises in the afternoon will be held at Hamilton hall and will be preceded by a parade.

The procession will be formed on Quincy street at 2 p. m. and march west on Fifth street to Kansas avenue, south on Kansas avenue to Tenth street counter-march to Fifth street, east on Fifth to Quincy, and south on Quincy to Hamilton hall.

Major Geo. W. Weed will be chief marshal and he has appointed the following staff officers who will assist in the formation of the parade:

First division—G. O. Wilmarth. Second division—J. S. Collins. Third division—Comrade Willis Edson.

Aides-de-camp—J. E. Stewart, Peter Heil, James Kerr, E. Briggs, C. G. Shearer, Louis Bradford, W. M. Coleman, Dan F. Wyatt, J. L. Wilcox, Major J. E. Anderson, K. N. G.; Colonel Joel Hinton.

The procession will be formed in the following order:

Platoon of Police. Marshall's Military Band. The Department commanded by Chief Wilmarth.

Mayor and City Council in carriages. A. O. U. W. Modern Woodmen, I. O. O. F., Red Men and other secret societies.

Carriages containing Master of Ceremonies, Chaplain and Orators of the day.

Battery B. K. N. G. Sons of Veterans. Topeka Post, G. A. R. Relief Corps.

Lincoln Circle and Ladies of G. A. R. At Hamilton hall the exercises will be as follows:

Voluntary by Marshall's band. Song—"America," led by Comrade Fox. Invocation by Rev. Dr. Embree.

Song—Modocs. Music—Bailey's orchestra. Oration—Comrade J. B. Johnson.

Song—Wyatt Sisters. Music—Dispatch band. Song—Modocs.

Original poem—Comrade Z. F. Riley. Benediction—Rev. Dr. Embree.

At Rochester cemetery exercises will be held under the auspices of Blue Post No. 250, G. A. R. and Blue Corps No. 5.

Dr. M. H. Mitchell will be the chief marshal and master of ceremonies, and the procession will be formed under his direction, corner of Gordon street and Kansas avenue, at 1 o'clock p. m.

Conveyances will be provided for speakers, singers and forty-four children representing the states, and members of the G. A. R. and Relief Corps.

When the procession arrives at the cemetery the exercises will be as follows:

Decoration of veterans graves by the Relief Corps.

Decoration of grave in memory of unknown dead by forty-four children, representing the states of the union, under direction of Comrade A. J. Kane.

Song by Lewis' double quartette—"Once more with solemn tread," Miss Ellen Parkhurst, organist.

Prayer—Rev. J. R. Madison. Singing—Lewis' double quartette, "Lead lightly over their graves."

Oration—Comrade Mayor T. W. Harrison.

Solo—Miss Edna Parkhurst, "The Lone Grave." Recitation—Miss Mamie Adair, "The Unknown Dead."

"Singing—Lewis' double quartette, "Rest Heroes, Rest." Address by Son of a Veteran, Otis Hungate.

Singing by Lewis' double quartette, "A Nation's Heroes." Original Poem—Comrade A. A. Rowley.

Singing—Lewis' double quartette, "We'll ever keep thy memory green." Address—Rev. W. L. Byers.

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## SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

Ex-Sheriff John M. Wilkerson is not a Coxy sympathizer.

The track of the electric line on Fourth street is being repaired.

All the seats have been sold for the high school commencement.

There are said to be eleven men now working on the woolen mill.

R. L. Lee will take two two-year-old colts to the Denver race next week.

Bethany college will have no graduates in the collegiate course this year.

One week from tomorrow the Republican state convention will meet in Topeka.

Ernest Minney has recovered his Victor bicycle. Duckworth shipped the wheel back.

Van Heest, the pugilist who is in town, weighs 140 pounds, but can train down to 114.

Frank Herald is sick, and was not able to go to Leavenworth yesterday to make a speech.

Otis L. Atherton says he will be fooled if the nomination for state treasurer gets away from him.

The "old crowd" in Republican political circles is again commencing to swarm at the Copeland.

S. F. Burgess, of the Santa Fe paint shop, was elected secretary of the Coxy meeting last night.

Quite a number of wheelmen went to Maple Hill Sunday. No hot milk and hot irons this time.

F. E. Holliday is in Salina attending the state meeting of the Kansas Pharmaceutical association.

The crowd outside the dog show listening to the band last evening was larger than the inside attendance.

The musical Morgan family of Topeka will give a concert at Rossville June 3d, in the Presbyterian church.

A crowd of Christian Endeavor young folk sang their farewell to Topeka from the top of the state house dome.

Director Jennings, of the weather bureau, says there will be plenty of cherries in the central part of the state.

A typographical error in yesterday's paper made the age of Bradshaw, the pugilist, 21; it should have been 26.

Jack Lynch, who fought Bradshaw Sunday, is a college graduate and caught the athletic craze while in school.

Jasper Earnest, the well known Second ward Democratic politician, has been notified of an increase in his pension.

G. C. Clemens says General Sanders ought to put casters on his steamboat if he expects to navigate on the Missouri river.

Father E. M. Coolen, assistant to Very Rev. F. M. Hayden, of the Church of the Assumption, intends beginning a class in French soon.

The sidewalk condemned by the city inspector is not always the worst laid in town, and the condemnations don't always stand.

Martin Oswald, son of M. Oswald of the firm of Burkhard & Oswald, has received an appointment in the Topeka pension office.

Large pictures of Andrew Jackson and Thomas Jefferson have been presented to the Democratic Flambeau club by Eugene Hagan.

A tremendous load of anxiety that is at present on the hearts of the senior class of the high school will not be there tomorrow morning.

Probate Judge G. N. Elliott, on recommendation of a jury, sent Emma Peterson to the state insane asylum. She is suffering from religious insanity.

A horse that fell down in front of a street car on Fourth street last evening created some slight diversion. No damage was done except to the harness.

Col. J. C. Gordon has been cleaning house, and in the place where the clock ought to be in the office of the Copeland, is a large portrait of Wm. McKinley.

Rev. Dr. Cowan said at the Congregational church, Sunday, in speaking of the best known type of politician, that what public life needs is more men and less abdo-men.

There was some talk of refusing the commonwealers the privilege of holding their meeting in the court house but the opposition was not strong enough to cause any trouble.

Ernest Minney and Ernest Dann have secured their bicycles that were taken by A. C. Duckworth. Duckworth will not be prosecuted, as he has agreed to pay the \$30 expenses necessary on the wheels.

Mrs. W. A. Selis has purchased the lot adjoining the wholesale house of Parkhurst, Davis & Co. and will erect a new building which will be occupied by the